(iii) Providing assistance to States for innovative schemes under the Flexible Approach Scheme;

(iv) Constitution of a Task Force in the Ministry of Human Resources Development for raising the minimum age at marriage;

(v) A programme for training of IEC workers has been taken up in four States of U.P., Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and Bihar in the first phase. The Programme is likely to be extended to other States in due course.

(vi) Adoption of an Area Specific Approach with special focus on States having high fertility rates.

(b) and (c) This Ministry is encouraging the involvement of voluntary agencies in the fields of motivation, education and extension services for implementing the Family Welfare Programme.

(d) A set of statements showing state-wise and method-wise targets and achievements during 1985-86, is at Annexure-I. [*See* Appendix CXXXXIX, Annexure No. 26].

(e) 21.25 million acceptors (eligible couples) are targeted to be protected during the current year.

(f) The departmental figures of expenditure on family Welfare during the last three years are as follows:—

	(Rupees in Crores)
1983-84	382.98
1984-85	423.77
1985-86	485.72*

*Provisional.

Issue of licence for trawler industry

452. SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that delay in issuing licences has badly hit the trawler industry; and

(b) if so, what steps are being taken to improve the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) and (b) There are two types of licences involved while procuring a fishing trawler. One for importing a trawler from abroad and the other relates to import of components while building a fishing trawler indigenously.

As regards licence for importing a trawler from abroad (CCP) there has been no un-due delay. There has however been some initial delay due to lengthy procedures for issuing import licence for import of components for building fishing trawlers indigenously. The same has been streamlined in January, 1986. It is expected that the new procedure will substantially cut down the time for issue of import licence to various indigenous shipyards. However efficacy of the system is under constant review by the Empowered Committee on Fishing Trawlers.

Medical Bill Racket in DTC

453. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have asked the Central Bureau of Investigation to investigate into the multi-crore medical bill racket operating in the Delhi Transport Corporation;

(b) what was the amount of reimbursement of medical bills in DTC for the last three years, year-wise;

(c) whether some officers of the DTC have since been suspended pending investigations and if so, what are the details thereof;

(d) whether the investigation by CBI into the medical bill racket has been completed; if so, what are the salient features of the Findings; and

(e) if not, by when the said investigation is likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) The CBI was asked to investigate cases of reimbursement claims involving large amounts.

(b) Details are as under:—

(Rs. in crores)

Item	1983-84	1984-85	1985-86
1. Doctors/Pathologists	..	1·72	1·54
2. Chemists	..	6·85	6·71
3. Medicines (Reimbursement)	0·73	0·57	1·03

(c) One officer has been suspended pending investigation.

(d) Not yet.

(e) No specific period for completion of the work has been indicated.

Sub-standard Drugs in the C. G. H. S. Dispensaries

454. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that medicines in the C.G.H.S. dispensaries in Delhi are either not available, and if available, they are not issued immediately and many time sub-standard drugs are supplied as substitutes for the quality medicines prescribed by the 'Specialists;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) what measures Government have taken or propose to take to improve the situation regarding the availability of medicines in the C.G.H.S. dispensaries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) In case of non-availibility of any medicines, the same is procured from Super Bazar, in Delhi. The Government is regularly reviewing the situation and remedial steps are taken wherever necessary.

Accidents involving D. T. C.

455. SHRI J. P. GOYAL: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of accidents involving DTC busses or private buses which ran under DTC operation during 1985 and during the first six months of 1986;

(b) what is the number of persons killed and injured as a result of these accidents involving DTC buses;

(c) how many drivers of DTC have been punished for negligence and the nature of punishment awarded to them;

(d) what action has been taken against the drivers of private buses run under DTC operation; and

(e) whether any compensation has been paid to those killed and injured and, if so, what are the details in regard thereto?